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EARLY ELKO COUNTY ARCHAEOLOGY TALK SCHEDULED

As part of Nevada Archaeological Awareness and Historic Preservation Month, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Archaeologist Bryan Hockett will give a lecture on the discoveries made at the Bonneville Estates Rock Shelter excavations. The talk will be held at the Northeastern Nevada Museum, 1515 Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada on Saturday May 20, 7:00 p.m.

“For the past five years, the University of Nevada, Reno and BLM have sponsored an annual archaeology field school at the Bonneville Estates Rock Shelter site,” said Hockett. “Each year we’ve found evidence that pushes the date back for human habitation in the Great Basin. Based on our finds we can say that humans lived in Elko County over 11,000 years ago.”

This year’s theme for the annual May activities is “Home Means Nevada.” In addition to the lecture, there will be public tours and a film festival. Schedules, brochures, and posters for this year’s activities for Nevada Archaeological Awareness and Historic Preservation Month are available at the BLM Elko Field Office, 3900 East Idaho Street in Elko.

Local partners for the May activities are Carlin Trend Mining Services; Great Basin College; Northeastern Nevada Museum; Elko County Chapter of the Nevada Archaeological Association; Elko County Library; and BLM Elko Field Office.

For more information about the film festival or other activities, contact Bill Fawcett or Tim Murphy at 775-753-0200 or email bfawcett@nv.blm.gov or t50murphy@nv.blm.gov .

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